



BEARFACTS 1991 – 2001

Blue Earth , Minnesota [27013]

Blue Earth is one of 87 counties in Minnesota. It is part of the [Mankato-North Mankato, MN \(MSA\)](#). Its 2001 population of 56,501 ranked 15th in the state.

PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME

In 2001 Blue Earth had a per capita personal income (PCPI) of \$26,724. This PCPI ranked 26th in the state and was 82 percent of the state average, \$32,631, and 87 percent of the national average, \$30,582. The 2001 PCPI reflected an increase of 3.2 percent from 2000. The 2000-2001 state change was 1.9 percent and the national change was 2.5 percent. In 1991 the PCPI of Blue Earth was \$16,305 and ranked 35th in the state. The 1991-2001 average annual growth rate of PCPI was 5.1 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 4.9 percent and for the nation was 4.4 percent.

TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME

In 2001 Blue Earth had a total personal income (TPI) of \$1,509,942*. This TPI ranked 13th in the state and accounted for 0.9 percent of the state total. In 1991 the TPI of Blue Earth was \$887,655* and ranked 12th in the state. The 2001 TPI reflected an increase of 4.2 percent from 2000. The 2000-2001 state change was 2.9 percent and the national change was 3.5 percent. The 1991-2001 average annual growth rate of TPI was 5.5 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 6.1 percent and for the nation was 5.6 percent.

COMPONENTS OF TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME

Total personal income includes net earnings by place of residence; dividends, interest, and rent; and personal current transfer receipts received by the residents of Blue Earth. In 2001 net earnings accounted for 63.5 percent of TPI (compared with 61.8 in 1991); dividends, interest, and rent were 23.2 percent (compared with 24.3 in 1991); and personal current transfer receipts were 13.3 percent (compared with 13.9 in 1991). From 2000 to 2001 net earnings increased 2.3 percent; dividends, interest, and rent increased 5.6 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased 11.9 percent. From 1991 to 2001 net earnings increased on average 5.8 percent each year; dividends, interest, and rent increased on average 5.0 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased on average 4.9 percent.

EARNINGS BY PLACE OF WORK

Earnings of persons employed in Blue Earth increased from \$1,247,582* in 2000 to \$1,279,164* in 2001, an increase of 2.5 percent. The 2000-2001 state change was 3.0 percent and the national change was 3.1 percent. The average annual growth rate from the 1991 estimate of \$721,806* to the 2001 estimate was 5.9 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 6.3 percent and for the nation was 5.8 percent.

**Note: All income estimates with the exception of PCPI are in thousands of dollars, not adjusted for inflation.*

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